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INTERIM SURVEY OF THE COLLECTION OF
INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION IN CHINA

Memorandum by the Director of Central Intelligence,
with the Unanimous Concurrence of the Intelligence
Advisory Board

1. By letter of 16 February 1946, Lieutenant General Hoyt S. Vandenberg, Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2, WDGS, transmitted to the Director of Central Intelligence an Intelligence Plan for Post-War China prepared by Headquarters, United States Forces, China Theater*. The Plan was referred to the Director "for consideration and any action considered appropriate."

2. The need for coordination of collecting activity is not peculiar to the China Theater. The issues raised in the Plan submitted typify broad collecting problems which the National Intelligence Authority must consider on a world-wide basis. Until these general collecting problems have been duly dealt with, the solution of the problems posed in the Plan may be incomplete. However, a study should be made to determine whether interim action is necessary in this case. The Central Intelligence Group will conduct a survey based upon the following outline:

a. The survey will include an examination of all facilities for the collection of intelligence information in China, in order to determine on an interim basis:

- (1) What facilities are available;
- (2) Which available facilities should be employed;

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(3) What agency (or agencies) should direct, control, and coordinate the effort;

(4) What distribution should be made of the Intelligence information collected.

3. The Central Planning Staff, C.I.G., will conduct the survey. It will be authorized to call for personnel indicated in paragraph 4, below, to appear and give such oral or written reports as may be required for the purposes of this survey.

4. Each member of the Intelligence Advisory Board will designate a representative to arrange details with the Information Branch, Central Planning Staff, and to furnish the C.I.G. a list of personnel authorized to give information for purposes of the survey. The designation of appropriate contact personnel in other Federal agencies will be arranged for as necessary.

5. The Central Planning Staff will submit its findings, conclusions, and recommendations to the Director of Central Intelligence. He will then submit appropriate recommendations to the National Intelligence Authority, after concurrence or comment by the Intelligence Advisory Board.

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